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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: S. V. Perungavoor
HIROYUKI SHINBATA)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2625
Appln. No.: 10/068,940)	
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Filed: February 11, 2002)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,)	November 4, 2005
IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM,)	
IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD	:	
AND STORAGE MEDIUM)	

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 14, 2005, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

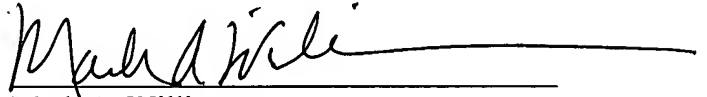
JP '894 was cited in one of the two Notifications of Reasons for Refusal submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 14, 2005, and may be relevant for the reasons noted therein. Please note that in the Notice, JP '894 was incorrectly listed as "H02-261894" and should have read --H06-261894--. The Notifications of Reasons for Refusal were attached to the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 14, 2002. An English Abstract and a machine-generated translation of JP '894 is provided herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

No fees are believed to be necessary because the requisite fee was paid with the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 14, 2005, and the document cited herein should have been cited therewith. Nevertheless, any fees deemed necessitated by this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C.
office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our
address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

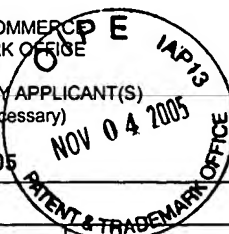
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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		6-261894	09/1994	Japan			Yes

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		

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